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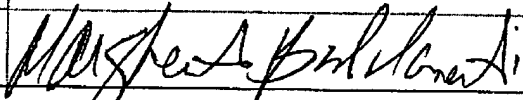
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In response to the Office Action dated September 3, 2003, applicant(s) request reconsideration of the rejection of claims 1 – 18 in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this response.

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.